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CAPUTO BACK IN ACTION

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Steve Caputo, the University of Montana's all-time rushing leader, returns to the gridiron Saturday when a squad of former Grizzly players challenges the current Grizzly team.

The 6-1, 205 pounder is the only back in UM history to rush for more than 1000 yards in a single season. He gained 1253 yards and picked up 6.7 yards each time he carried the pigskin during the 1971 season. His career total of 2076 yards outdistances Arnie Blancas' second place figure of 1604 yards.

Caputo was an all-conference quarterback for Seattle Prep before enrolling at Montana in the fall of 1968. As a freshman he quarterbacked the frosh club, but a penchant for running with the ball on the option led to his switch to halfback in the fall of 1969. In his sophomore season he saw spot duty at both quarterback and halfback. He gained 137 yards in his first varsity season.

In 1970 he warmed up for his outstanding senior year by rushing for 643 yards. The 643 yards was good for third place in the Big Sky Conference's individual rushing standings. He also played in the Camellia Bowl games of 1969 and 1970.

Caputo will play both halfback and quarterback for the alumni squad in Saturday's contest which is slated for a 1:30 p.m. start.